

**In the Abstract**

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The present invention is embodied in an online-like transaction processing method and system for processing account information contained in batch process files[[],] , ~~the~~ The method [[including:]] includes the steps of reading at least one batch file containing a plurality of records, each of the plurality of records ~~being related to an~~ associated with one of a plurality of accounts[[],] , identifying which of the plurality of records relate to same ones of the plurality of accounts[[]; identifying]] selecting and restricting access to one of the accounts [[];] and [[],] processing all of the records identified as ~~relating~~ related to one of the accounts together and independent of processing any of the records relating to any other of the plurality of accounts.